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SUBJECT: IRAQ'S PLANS FOR INCREASED OIL PRODUCTION

REF: BAGHDAD 778, 799

1. ABDUL SATTAR AL-RAWI, CHAIRMAN OF IRAQI COMPANY FOR OIL OPERATIONS (FORMERLY IPC), TOLD INA DECEMBER 28 THAT ICOO PLANS TO DRILL 30 NEW PRODUCTION WELLS DURING 1975-76 TO RAISE PRODUCTION OF ICOO'S FIELDS TO 105 MTA BY END OF 1976.

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2. PRODUCTION OF NORTHERN FIELDS, FOR WHICH ICOO RESPONSI-

BLE, WAS 57 MTA IN 1973 AND CAPACITY EXPANDED IN 1974 TO 60 MTA ALTHOUGH ACTUAL PRODUCTION CONSIDERABLY LOWER. WITH BPC EXPANSION TO 80 MTA, NORTH RUMAILS TO 50, AND BUZURGAN TO 15, IRAQI PRODUCTION CAPACITY COULD TOTAL 5 MILLION B/D BY END OF 1976.

3. COMMENT: IT IS INTERESTING TO NOTE THAT IN SPITE OF REDUCED EXPORTS IN 1974 (TO ABOUT 1.8 MILLION B/D) GOI OFFICIALS CONTINUE TO TALK IN TERMS OF RAPID EXPANSION OF PRODUCTIVE CAPACITY. ROLE OF MAJOR WESTERN FIRMS IN THESE PLANS SHOULD BECOME CLEAR IN NEXT MONTH SINCE NEGOTIATION ON WHOLE RANGE OF ISSUE, INCLUDING RETROACTIVE PARTICIPATION AND COMPENSATION, SCHEDULED TO BEGIN WITH BPC TEAM FROM LONDON, INCLUDING MOBIL REPRESENTATIVE ANSOR, ON JANUARY 4. LOWRIE

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